

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 3 with the following:

The compartments 8 have an outer receiving part for the printed material 2 which in the conveying direction is angled relative to the radial alignment. This arrangement of the compartment 8, or of the pivotable plates 9, 10 forming the compartment 8, is beneficial for the transfer of the printed material 2 from the clips 4 of the conveying member 3. The plate movements are realized also by a connecting link-controlled pivot device 11, shown in Fig. 2, which is in driving connection with a shaft 12 of one of the plates 9, 10. Further details of the plate drive can also be taken from the aforementioned European patent document 0 380 921 B1, which corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,110,108, which is incorporated herein by reference. The compartments 8 reach the trajectory of the pieces of printed material 2, suspended from the conveying member 3, in the open state, as indicated in Fig. 1, and are closed again directly after opening of the clips 4 (see Fig. 1) so that between the plates 9, 10 a spacing remains which corresponds to the thickness of the pieces of printed material 2 and the printed material 2

are initially secured in the compartments 8 by two opposed conveying means, e.g., rollers 13, 14 which are fastened on the plates 9, 10 (see also Fig. 3). For this purpose, the plates 9, 10 have a through opening 15 correlated with a corresponding roller 13, 14 through which roller pairs 13, 14, connected by means of a drive shaft 17, project into the gap so that they impact on a piece of printed material 2. The supporting action of the paired rollers 13, 14 fastened on the drive shaft 17 is provided by bearings 18, 19 which are arranged on the external side of the plates 9, 10.